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The Secretary
Kilmarnock Community Council

Sent via email
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Dear Sir / Madam

West Dunbartonshire Council Budget 2023/24

You will be aware of the significant funding challenges faced by West Dunbartonshire Council this year and in the coming years.

Following the Council meeting in December where a range of saving options were approved alongside management adjustments identified, the Council still has to find a further £14.3m in savings to continue delivering services to our residents.

Our situation has been further compounded by a range of factors including increases in inflation, utilities, fuel, materials and employee costs.

This is our most significant financial challenge since our inception as a Council and at a time where our residents are relying on our services more than ever, we must take action to balance the budget for the next financial year and beyond.

A range of proposed savings will be presented and discussed at the Council meeting on Wednesday, 1 March 2023 and I wanted to give you advance notice that one of the budget savings which will be discussed at the meeting is to reduce the funding we currently provide to Community Councils.

Further information on the proposals and associated savings is available on the Council website.

No final decision will be made on these proposals until the meeting on 1 March when it is considered by Elected Members.

Following the Council meeting, I will contact you again to update you on any decisions what this means for you.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in grey ink, appearing to read 'Peter Barry', is positioned below the text 'Yours sincerely'.

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